

Remarks/Arguments:

The applicant would like to thank the examiner for the telephonic interview on April 1, 2009, in which the claims and the prior art were discussed.

The above Amendments and these Remarks are in reply to the Office Action mailed March 3, 2009.

Claims 59-80 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, for failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter.

The phrase “machine readable storage medium”, as amended, is supported by paragraph [0147] of the present invention’s specification.

Claims 1-58 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Claims 1, 21 and 40 have been amended to state that “the traversing step is done using at least one processor”. For this reason, these claims are believed to be statutory.

Claims 59-80 have been amended to be “machine readable storage medium” claims and are thus believed to be statutory.

Claims 1-80 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) as being unpatentable over Anuff et al. (US patent 6,327,628), in view of Abel (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0084401).

The independent claims have been amended to add the feature that “at least two controls that are graphical elements in a web application that intercommunicate using the event notification mechanism”. This is not shown or made obvious by the cited prior art. The examiner states that Anuff discloses “each module provides the user with access to a particular type of resource, such as news headlines or stock quotes, columns 3-4 lines 58-5”. The communication between presentation and a backend, in Anuff, is not the same as interaction

between two controls for graphical elements using an event notification mechanism, as claimed in the present case.

For this reason, the prior art does not make these claims obvious.

In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now pending in the subject patent application should be allowable, and a Notice of Allowance is requested. The Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned if he can assist in any way in expediting issuance of a patent.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1325 for any matter in connection with this response, including any fee for extension of time, which may be required.

Respectfully submitted,

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